

REMARKS

Claims 1-25 are pending in the application.

Claims 3-12, 15-17, and 20-25 are allowed.

Claims 1, 18 and 19 are objected to. Claims 2, 13, and 14 are objected to as being dependent on the objected claim 1.

Claims 1, 18 and 19 are amended.

No new matter is added. Claims 1-25 remain in the case for consideration.

Reconsideration is requested.

Allowable Subject Matter

The Examiner indicates in the Office Action that claims 3-12, 15-17, and 20-25 are allowed. The Applicant thanks the Examiner for allowing these claims.

Claim Objections under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Applicant has corrected the informalities in Claims 1, 18, and 19 as noted by the Examiner. As such, the objection to claims 1, 2, 13, 14, 18, and 19 should now be withdrawn.

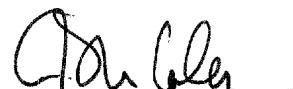
Claim of Foreign Priority

Applicant confirms to the Examiner that the instant application does NOT claim foreign priority.

For the foregoing reasons, reconsideration and allowance of all pending claims of the application as amended is requested. The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned at (503) 222-3613 if it appears that an interview would be helpful in advancing the case.

Respectfully submitted,

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